

Town of Groton, Connecticut

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Meeting Minutes Town Council

Mayor Harry A. Watson, Councilors Peter J. Bartinik, Jr., Heather Sherman Bond, Catherine Kolnaski, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., John F. Scott, Paulann H. Sheets, and James L. Streeter.

Tuesday, January 16, 2007

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Also present were Town Manager Mark Oefinger, Assistant to the Town Manager Lee Vincent, Deputy Town Clerk Janet Downs, and Office Assistant Elga Concepcion.

Members Present: Mayor Watson, Councilor Kolnaski, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., Councilor Scott, Councilor Sheets and Councilor Streeter

Members Absent: Councilor Bartinik, Jr. and Councilor Bond

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The Salute to the Flag was led by Deputy Town Clerk Janet Downs.

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

2006-0308 Proclamation Honoring Johnnie F. & Marie H. McCoy

Read

Councilor Sheets read the Proclamation.

2006-0310 Proclamation Recognizing Mentor Month

Read

Mayor Watson read the Proclamation.

2006-0318 Proclamation Honoring John Duplin

Read

Councilor Scott read the Proclamation.

2006-0319 Proclamation Honoring Pierre "Pete" Rochon

Read

Councilor Streeter read the Proclamation.

IV. CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Ed Ettinger, 174 Cedar Road, Mystic, discussed the public hearing scheduled at the end of this month for the purpose of receiving public input regarding the Board of Education's redistricting plans. He discussed the costs associated with the closing of Noank Elementary School. Mr. Ettinger believes that a referendum would be necessary to close the school.

John Sutherland, 32 Neptune Drive, is in favor of phasing in property taxes and believes that taxpayers will see a 26% increase in their property taxes. He submitted a petition for consideration of a phase-in which is on file at the Town Clerk's office.

Kevin Trejo, 536-L Shennecossett Road, RTM member for District 2, stated that the Youth Advocacy Council Club will be signing up new members to do volunteer work. Interested students

may also contact Ledge Light Health District Drug Free Communities Coordinator Michelle Hamilton at 448-4882.

V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Responding to Mr. Ettinger, the Mayor stated that he will verify whether a referendum will be necessary to close Noank Elementary School.

Responding to Mr. Sutherland, Councilor Sheets stated that she is disappointed that the Council was not able to find a way to provide tax relief to its citizens.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Approval of Minutes

2007-0015 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of December 19, 2006 are hereby accepted and approved.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Calendar.

b. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List	
2003-0045	Economic/Strategic Plan Update
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0005	Labor Negotiations (2006 Standing Referral)
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0006	Pending Litigation (2006 Standing Referral)
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0007	Legislative Policy (2006 Standing Referral)
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0008	Town Participation in CCM Lawsuits and Interventions (2006 Standing Referral)
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0025	Joint Meeting with City Council (2006 Standing Referral)
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0055	Joint Meeting with Board of Education (2006 Standing Referral)
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0166	Governor's Economic Diversification Commission
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0213	Lighting on Riverview Avenue, Noank
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0220	FYE 2008 Budget Discussion with RTM
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0079	Electronic Voting/Use of Paper Ballots
	This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
2006-0297	Town Clerk Compensation

This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.

2006-0320 Charles B. Allyn Foundation Grant - Tercentennial Legacy Playground

This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.

2007-0014 Appointment of Patricia Semancik to the Parks and Recreation Commission

This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.

c. Special Trust Fund Contributions

2006-0315 Special Trust Fund Contributions

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Marilee Clabby - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Laurel Butler - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

James and Robin Moulding - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Anil Agarwal - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Paige Parsons - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Eileen Flynn - \$5.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Barbara Strother - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Paul and Elizabeth Duarte - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Johnson Hardware and Supply Co., Inc - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Robert and Leslie Westhaver - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

George, Susan and Pamela Allen - \$500.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

E. Jane Schmidt - \$20.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Dorothy Papp - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Severn Carlson - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Margil and Joan Steinford - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Helen Robinson - \$30.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Cicchese Family - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

John Watson - \$250.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Kathleen Walach - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Allen and Rosemary Palmer - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Karl and Gabrielle Robinson - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolvin

Kelser Physical Therapy - \$1,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

James and Irma Streeter - \$500.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

John Sebastian - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Soundview Orthopaedic Associates, LLP - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Carol W. Kimball - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

H. G. & Barbara Sawyer - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Theresa M. Courchaine - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Irene Wahlstrom - \$450.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Jennifer Corbeil - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Sidney and Sandy Van Zandt - \$250.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

George Marshall - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Catherine, Christopher and Bryan Hoffman - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Groton Artwaves, Inc. - \$1,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Whitney - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Groton Town Police P.B.A. - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Joellen Anderson - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

John Scott and Rafael Burgos - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Beth Crowley - \$40.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Douglas and Catherine Hoffman - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Denise A. Descheneaux - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

David and Jane Francis - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Marilyn E. Charette - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Charles Barnum Elementary School Staff - \$161.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Lea Graner Kennedy - \$30.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Jeff & Tammy Donath - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Julie Laffargue - \$20.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Sharon Hollay - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Grader Jewelers, Inc. - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Various Donations - \$2,176.53 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Groton Utilities - \$13.38 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

United Way of S.E. Connecticut - \$164.89 - Groton Special Needs

Joellen Anderson - \$20.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Patti Anderson - \$40.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Anonymous - \$15.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Anonymous - \$20.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Ruth Bonewitz - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Paul Brindamour- \$10.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Carol Case- \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Charles DiBona - \$2,000.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Chase and Trey DiBona- \$9.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Dicesare-Bentley- \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Falk Chiropractic - \$228.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Nora Ferriell - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Patrick Flanagan - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Nancy Giommi - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Paul Henschel - \$60.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Elizabeth Leclercq - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Library - \$5.00 - Social Services Discretionary

George Marshall - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Nancy McKay - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Russ Mussante - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Noank PTO - \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Marge Robinson - \$10.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Janiss Rudolph - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Jean Simpson - \$30.00 - Social Services Discretionary

St Andrew Presbyterian Church - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Fay Taylor - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

USPS - \$70.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Maura Vogt - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Joseph Wallace - \$200.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Eileen Cicchese - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Andrew Holmes - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Tammy Donath - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Scott and Irene Ritter - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Frank and Elisabeth Bohlen - \$500.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mary C. Hardesty - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Kathryn W. Baker - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

LuElen F. Socha - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Carol A. Pitman - \$15.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Dunkin Donuts - \$500.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Jane & John Couto -\$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Lee D. Vincent - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Lisa Knobloch - \$40.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mystic Seaport's Advancement Office - \$100.00 Parks and Recreation Revolving

Wesley H. Johnson - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mark and Marlene Santucci - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Amy E. Lehofer - \$20.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Thomas & Nina Nelson - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

John and Robin Silsby - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Harry A. Watson, Jr. - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Peter and Kristin Georgetti - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Dr. Anthony Angelo - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Connie Bouchard - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Linda Stankewich - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

William Brissette - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Fitch High School Interact Club - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Maureen J. Anderson - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Dale Hoxie - \$95.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Catherine Kolnaski - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mystic Lions Club _ \$1,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Christine Grady - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Greg MacKenzie - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Patrice Granatosky - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Tolland Development Company, LLC - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Max Aaaron Grossman - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Bailey Agencies, Inc. - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

John & Sue Sutherland - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Groton Good Government PAC - \$100.00 Parks & Recreation Revolving

Maureen Lamontagne - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Marilyn Laznovski - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Richard and Deborah Monteiro - \$150.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Victoria Rossman - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Patricia M. Kelly - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Laurie Kotfer - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Victoria Woods - \$300.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mark R. Oefinger and Barbara A. Nagy - \$1,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Timothy Evers - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Kathleen Hanson - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Diana Gill - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Marsha Zimmerman - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Gail Narita - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Lawrence & Memorial Hospital - \$5,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Rebecca Guilini - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Harry A. Watson, Jr. - \$40.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Charter Oak Credit Union - \$420.90 - Animal Shelter

Jill Dreesman - \$38.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Marci Lyn Casey - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Steve and Maggie Matzdorff - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Edward and Ruth Williams - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Mildred A. Jensen - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Russell Sergeant - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Nancy and Bob Congdon - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

E. C. Lambert - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Lisa Knobloch - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Charlene and Larry Lynch - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Children First Groton - \$500.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Sharon Hollay - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Dr. Rene and Sheri Alova - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Maureen Reubelt - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Anonymous - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Janet Ledwidge - \$20.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Diane Darling, Wesley Williams and David Freedman - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

George and Claire Kenyon - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Pat Garcia - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Karen Eisenbeiser - \$8.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Richard and Suzanne Palmieri - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Dr. & Mrs. James E. Mitchell - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

The Helios Foundation - \$5,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Anonymous - \$50,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Pfizer Foundation - \$50.00 - Library Discretionary

Groton Library - \$7.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Rotary Club of Mystic - \$750.00 - Social Services Discretionary Fund

S.B. Butler (Mrs. Gynther's 5th Grade) - \$223.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Tim and Brooke Boyd - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Jennifer E. Smuts - \$25.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Jennifer and Michael Nowak - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Elissa Wright - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

S. B. Butler PTO - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Chelsea Groton Savings Bank - \$1,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Patricia Wilbur - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Healther Pilz - \$5.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

James Sweeney - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Susan Hellen - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Katherine Zod - \$15.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Anonymous Donor - \$2.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Marcia Parisi - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Donald F. Robinson - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Francis Robinson - \$2,000.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

James Wollschager - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Deborah Spinnato - \$200.00 - Animal Control Facility

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Calendar.

d. Tax Refund

RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX REFUND

WHEREAS, the following, for the reason indicated, has overpaid taxes in the amount specified, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector has recommended the amount be refunded, be it

RESOLVED, that the tax refund indicated below is hereby approved.

Paradise Properties LLC - \$2,387.13 - Excess payment

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Calendar.

Passed The Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Councilor Scott, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski, to adopt the Consent Calendar, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried unanimously

VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)

a. Town Councilors

Several Councilors attended the retirement celebration for Ledge Light Health District Health

Director Sam Crowley on January 11.

Councilor O'Beirne stated that the Town Council will consider establishing a Charter Revision Commission. Five to fifteen individuals will be needed to study the Charter for approximately 6 months. He requested that interested individuals submit their contact information to the Town Clerk.

Councilor Kolnaski attended the Ledge Light Health District Board of Directors and Permanent School Building Committee meetings on December 21. She attended the Groton Public School Redistricting Study presentation of Plan 8 on January 4. Councilor Kolnaski received a letter regarding the animal shelter.

Councilor Sheets received a letter from the Groton Open Space Association (GOSA) in which it expressed its frustration with the lack of progress in the advancement of open space protection. Councilor Sheets will further contemplate as to whether to address this issue to the Environment Committee or the Committee of the Whole (COW).

The Mayor attended the school redistricting presentation on January 4. He attended the Change-of-Command Ceremony at the Subase on January 5.

b. Representative Town Meeting

The RTM met on January 10 at which time a referral was passed in which \$25,000 was approved for preliminary design development work for a new animal shelter. The RTM is meeting on February 14.

c. Clerk of the Council

No report.

d. Town Manager

Town Manager Oefinger stated that approximately \$220,000 in donations has been raised for the Tercentennial Legacy Playground. The Town's target for total donations is \$350,000. The Town Manager's office is working with State Legislators to get a status on the receipt of a contribution of \$100,000. There is a pre-dedication ceremony for the Catherine Kolnaski School on January 19. Mr. Oefinger noted that next week's Group I and Group II meetings are cancelled and that the COW meeting will start at 6:00 p.m. due to the presentation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Councilors may contact the Town Manager's office with any questions they may have for the auditor prior to next week's COW meeting. There will be a retirement celebration for Police Lieutenant John Murphy on January 19. The Town Manager also reminded viewers that January 31 is the tentative date for a dedication ceremony at the Noank Hatchery. Assistant to the Town Manager Lee Vincent has been appointed to serve as Vice Chairman on the State's 9-1-1 Commission.

e. Town Attorney

No report.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman O'Beirne

No meeting; no report.

b. Economic Development - Chairman Bond

No meeting; no report.

c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Kolnaski

No meeting; no report.

d. Environment & Recreation - Chairman Sheets

Councilor Sheets stated that there was a meeting on January 9 at which time there was a discussion concerning property owners who reside near Tanglewood Park and the problem of trash being dumped nearby. The owners have requested that the Town share in the cost of installing a chain link fence.

e. Finance - Chairman Wright

No meeting; no report.

f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman Scott

Councilor Scott stated that there was a meeting on January 9 at which time Patricia Semancik's appointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission was approved. He will provide these meeting minutes at the next Town Council meeting.

g. Public Safety - Chairman Streeter

No meeting; no report.

h. Public Works - Chairman Bartinik

No meeting; no report.

i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Watson

There are three items on tonight's agenda as a result of last week's Committee of the Whole meeting.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

X. NEW BUSINESS

2006-0079 Electronic Voting/Use of Paper Ballots

RESOLUTION CONCERNING ELECTRONIC VOTING EQUIPMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Help America Vote Act of 2002 has developed a uniform set of requirements for each voting system used in an election for federal office;

WHEREAS, the Election Assistance Commission has determined that lever voting machines are not compliant with the requirements of the Help America Vote Act;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Secretary of the State of Connecticut has used federal funds advanced through the Help America Vote Act to purchase voting machines in compliance with this law, these being the "LHS optical scan voting machines";

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton is a municipality in the State of Connecticut;

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton, through its elected officials and the employees thereof, is responsible for conducting primaries and elections, federal and otherwise, within its borders;

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton, through its legislative body is responsible for providing suitable voting machines for use within its own municipality;

THEREFORE, the legislative body of the Town of Groton hereby accepts ownership of the said "LHS optical scan voting machines" and will begin to use said voting machines with the election to be held on November 6, 2007.

A motion was made by Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., seconded by Councilor Kolnaski, that this matter be Adopted.

Responding to Councilor Scott, the Town Manager clarified that the date of November 6, 2007 is the date on which LHS optican scan voting machines will be utilized.

Councilor Sheets expressed her concern for potential "hacking" of these new voting machines. She would prefer to have the mechanical voting machines utilized for local and State elections.

Town Manager Oefinger stated that it would not be practical to utilize different machines for different types of elections. The change from lever voting machines is a Federal mandate.

The motion carried unanimously

2006-0297 Town Clerk Compensation

TOWN CLERK COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined that the performance of the Town Clerk exceeds expectations, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk shall receive a 3.02% salary increase, from \$80,566 to \$83,000, effective January 1, 2007.

A motion was made by Councilor Kolnaski, seconded by Councilor Scott, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

2006-0320 Charles B. Allyn Foundation Grant - Tercentennial Legacy Playground

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE TERCENTENNIAL LEGACY PARK

WHEREAS, the Groton Town Council has agreed by resolution to pursue grants and other contributions in cooperation with the Groton Parks Foundation that will support the construction of a Tercentennial Legacy Playground (TLP) that will be accessible to all children regardless of cognitive or physical limitations, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager is authorized to apply for a grant of \$5,000 from the Charles B. Allyn Foundation.

A motion was made by Councilor Sheets, seconded by Councilor Scott, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

2007-0014 Appointment of Patricia Semancik to the Parks and Recreation Commission

RESOLUTION APPOINTING PATRICIA SEMANCIK TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

RESOLVED, that Patricia M. Semancik, 93 Hilltop Road, Mystic, is appointed as a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term ending 12/31/2011.

A motion was made by Councilor Scott, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

Suspension of the Rules

A motion to suspend the rules for election of a Town Councilor was made by Councilor Kolnaski, seconded by Councilor Sheets and so voted unanimously.

Election of Town Councilor

The Mayor called for nominations to fill the vacancy on the Town Council created by the resignation of Elissa Wright.

A motion to nominate Rita Schmidt was made by Councilor Sheets, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski.

There being no further nominations, the Mayor declared nominations closed.

The motion to elect Rita Schmidt to fill the vacancy carried unanimously.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. was made by Councilor Scott, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski and so voted unanimously.

Attest:

Barbara Tarbox, Town Clerk

Elga Concepcion Office Assistant